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UNC System defining academic freedom. Some faculty see ‘footholds for mischief’

Wade Maki, a professor at UNC Greensboro and chair of the system’s Faculty

Assembly, led a 15-month initiative to produce the draft of the definition. He consulted chancellors, campus administrators, student governments, the assembly and other university stakeholders, according to UNC.

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UNC System budget strategy combines hundreds of job cuts with tuition increases

Across the UNC System, 700 administrative positions have been cut since June, President Peter Hans announced during Wednesday's UNC Board of Governors meeting. That amounts to $50 million in cuts to salaries and benefits.

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UNC System policy draft would cut free legal aid for students, limit funds for student organizations

The UNC System may change the way student activity fees are allocated at its 16 constituent universities, according to a drafted policy regulation obtained by The Daily Tar Heel. If passed in its current state, the regulation would limit the percentage of activity fee money allocated to student organizations and likely cause the closure of multiple student legal service centers across the state, including UNC's Carolina Student Legal Services.

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More lawsuits to be filed against NC State over toxic chemicals, attorneys say

More lawsuits are coming against NC State University over its actions surrounding toxic chemicals in one of its buildings. That's according to attorneys representing 10 women and one man who developed breast cancer after working or studying at Poe Hall and are suing NC State in Wake County Superior Court, citing "deliberate

indifference” to contamination by the university.

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University of North Carolina to see largest expansion in 200 years

UNC Chapel Hill Chancellor Lee Roberts discusses the university’s largest campus expansion in more than 200 years

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North Carolina Students Sue Election Officials Over Closed Early Voting Sites

The lawsuit centers on denied sites at North Carolina A&T State University, North Carolina’s largest historically Black university; the University of North Carolina at Greensboro; and Western Carolina University. (An early-voting site at Elon University was also rejected.) The lawsuit says North Carolina A&T students fought for their on-campus early-voting site ahead of the 2020 election. Western Carolina University and UNC Greensboro had operated such sites since 2016 and at least 2012, respectively.

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UNC System orders new syllabus policy

Many are also concerned that syllabus postings will include the course location and time, as well as personal faculty information, thereby posing security risks. However, the policy ensures that no identifiable information will be published.

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Possible measles exposure reported at UNC Health Nash

The Nash County Health Department says an unvaccinated child visited the emergency department on Tuesday, January 27, between 9 a.m. and 11 p.m. Anyone who was at the hospital during that time is being advised to monitor for symptoms.

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UNC Study Advances Understanding of High-Fat Foods' Impact on Memory, Brain Function

While diet changes have long been credited for long-term health benefits, most of the time it is not about brain health. But Taylor Landry – who was working as a postdoctoral researcher in the Department of Pharmacology at UNC – pitched Juan Song of the department's Song Lab on taking a further look at the connection.

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Concerns raised about student use of residential furniture for weekend sledding

During the weekend's snowy weather, UNC students made the most of the icy hills near South Campus residence halls at the Skipper Bowles and Manning Drive intersection, sledding with everything from traffic cones to mattresses and rolling lounge chairs. However, as the snow melted, remnants of the weekend's creativity remained. Photos show residence hall furniture — including ottomans and lobby chairs — left in streets and walkways. The aftermath raised concerns among some students and staff about property damage, student safety and who would ultimately be held financially responsible.

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Charlotte alumna, Susan Andersen, 'pays it forward' with scholarship

program supporting college mothers

Author Susan Andersen attended UNC Charlotte on a partial scholarship from a local organization. Greatly moved by the gesture, Andersen vowed she would "pay it forward." After her graduation in 1984, decades later, in 2006, the Charlotte alumna did just that by founding the ANSWER Scholarship.

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Ex-UNC coach Mack Brown speaks on Drake Maye's journey to the Super Bowl

Former North Carolina football standout Drake Maye is set to make history with the New England Patriots in less than two weeks, as he's poised to become the second-youngest quarterback to ever start in the Super Bowl, trailing only Dan Marino.

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Higher Ed Staff Embrace AI for Daily Work Despite Policy Gaps, New Survey Finds

According to a new report from EDUCAUSE released this week, 94% of survey respondents said they have used AI tools for work within the past six months, yet only 54% are aware of policies or guidelines meant to guide such use. The survey, conducted in partnership with AIR, NACUBO, and CUPA-HR, drew responses from 1,960 higher education professionals between late September and mid-October 2025.

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Accreditors brace for more change under the Trump administration

This week, the Council for Higher Education Accreditation held its annual conference in Washington, D.C., as the sector tries to chart a path forward amid policy uncertainty, political pressure and wavering support for higher ed.

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Will the Classic Learning Test Shake Up College Admissions?

The CLT, which has been embraced by the right, is now accepted by all public institutions in three states, plus the nation's service academies. But even as it gains popularity, critics question both its content and its quality.

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North Dakota approves scaled back reduced-credit degree program

The State Board of Higher Education on Thursday approved the development of pilot programs for bachelor's degrees requiring as few as 90 credits, rather than the typical 120 credits.

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Texas governor pauses new H-1B visas at public colleges

Under Gov. Greg Abbott's moratorium, colleges have until March 27 to fulfill state data requests about the workers they employ under the visa program.

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Trump administration: San Jose State broke law by allowing transgender volleyball player

The Education Department said Wednesday that San José State University violated Title IX by allowing a transgender woman on its women's volleyball team.

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64% increase in Teaching Fellows! - Public Ed Works

“The program has experienced tremendous growth,” Dr. Bennett Jones, director of the Teaching Fellows, told a UNC Board of Governors committee Wednesday. That appears to be fueled by an expansion of the program in 2024-25 to include teachers in elementary education. NC State University, followed by East Carolina and Appalachian State universities, leads the state in enrollment of Teaching Fellows.

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The Havoc That One Disgruntled Student Can Wreak on a University

College-level instructors, especially the ones without tenure who make up a vast majority of the higher ed teaching force in the United States, are increasingly vulnerable to the whims of students and administrators. This dynamic started long before President Trump’s second term, and weaponized complaints used to come more regularly from both left and right.

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